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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

*(Only for nonprovisional
applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))*

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Sir:

Enclosed herewith for filing is a patent application of PIERRE DURIF, NOEL MOREL, GEORGES PEYRON and GILBERT MENARD entitled PROCESS AND DEVICE FOR CROSS-LINKING /EXPANDING A BLANK FOR A SAFETY SUPPORT FOR A TIRE AND SUPPORT OBTAINED BY THIS PROCESS.

which includes:

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Specification	<u>35</u> Total Pages
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Claims	<u>8</u> pages
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Abstract	<u>1</u> page
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Drawings Figs.	<u>4</u> sheets
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☒ Combined Declaration and Power of Attorney 4 pages

☐ Newly executed (original or copy)

☒ Copy from a prior application

☒ If a continuing application, check appropriate box:

☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-In-Part

of U.S. Serial No. 09/860,075, filed May 17, 2001, which claims priority to FR 00/06488, filed May 19, 2000.

[X] Amend the specification by inserting, before the first line, the following sentence:

"This is a ☐ continuation ☒ divisional ☐ continuation-in-part
of U.S. Serial No. 09/860,075, filed May 17, 2001.

[X] The entire disclosures of the prior applications, including U.S. Serial No. 09/860,075, filed May 17, 2001 and FR 00/06488, filed May 19, 2000 are considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and are hereby incorporated by reference therein.

[X] An Assignment of the invention to Michelin Recherche et Technique S.A.

☐ is attached. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.

☐ will follow.

[X] has been filed in the prior application, U.S. Serial No. 09/860,075 and recorded at Reel No. 12152, Frame No. 0956.

[X] Information Disclosure Statement

1 page

[X] PTO Form 1449

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☐ Copies of references are enclosed.

Also accompanying this patent application are:

☐ Application Data Sheet

☐ Non-Publication Request

[X] Return Receipt Postcard

[X] Preliminary Amendment

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☐ Submission of Formal Drawings

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[X] Cancel in this application original claims 1-6 and 8-9 of the prior application before calculating the filing fee.

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Total Claims	18	-20	=	0	x	9 =		\$0.00		x 18 =	\$0.00
Ind. Claims	1	-3	=	1	x	43 =		\$0.00		x 86 =	\$0.00
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Priority:


☒ Priority of application Country France, Appln. No. 00/6488, filed May 19, 2000 is claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 119.

☒ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s) Country France, Appln. No. 00/6488, filed May 19, 2000
☐ is/are attached. ☐ will follow ☒ has been filed in the parent application Serial No. 09/860,075.

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☐ Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27TOTAL AMOUNT OF PAYMENT (\$)**770****Complete if Known**

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1001	770	2001	385	Utility filing fee	770
1002	340	2002	170	Design filing fee	
1003	530	2003	265	Plant filing fee	
1004	770	2004	385	Reissue filing fee	
1005	160	2005	80	Provisional filing fee	
SUBTOTAL (1)					(\$) 770

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES FOR UTILITY AND REISSUE

Total Claims		Extra Claims		Fee from below		Fee Paid	
Independent	18	- 20 =	0	X		=	0
Multiple Dependent	1	- 3 =	0	X		=	0

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1202	18	2202	9	Claims in excess of 20
1201	86	2201	43	Independent claims in excess of 3
1203	290	2203	145	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid
1204	86	2204	43	** Reissue independent claims over original patent
1205	18	2205	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent

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FEE CALCULATION (continued)**3. ADDITIONAL FEES**

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1051	130	2051	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
1052	50	2052	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
1053	130	1053	130	Non-English specification	
1812	2,520	1812	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
1804	920*	1804	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
1805	1,840*	1805	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
1251	110	2251	55	Extension for reply within first month	
1252	420	2252	210	Extension for reply within second month	
1253	950	2253	475	Extension for reply within third month	
1254	1,480	2254	740	Extension for reply within fourth month	
1255	2,010	2255	1,005	Extension for reply within fifth month	
1401	330	2401	165	Notice of Appeal	
1402	330	2402	165	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
1403	290	2403	145	Request for oral hearing	
1451	1,510	1451	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
1452	110	2452	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
1453	1,300	2453	650	Petition to revive - unintentional	
1501	1,330	2501	665	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
1502	480	2502	240	Design issue fee	
1503	630	2503	315	Plant issue fee	
1460	130	1460	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
1807	50	1807	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
1806	180	1806	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
8021	40	8021	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	
1809	770	2809	385	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR 1.129(a))	
1810	770	2810	385	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR 1.129(b))	
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